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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A, Second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	January 10, 2012

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Craig Metzner, DVM, President  
Lynn Nellius, LVT  
Roberta Jackson, VMD  
Lena Corder, Public Member  
Patricia Ennis, Public Member  
Natalie Titus, DVM

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General  
Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III

**MEMBER ABSENT**

Rachel Longfellow, LVT, Vice-President

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Metzner called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. Dr. Titus was welcomed to the Board.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 11, 2011 meeting. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **HEARING**

1:15 p.m. – Hearing: Case No. 28-11-11 Against Phillip D. Pemberton, Jr.

A continuance was granted at the request of Mr. Pemberton's attorney.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Request from Representative Booth to Promulgate a Rule and Regulation Requiring Veterinarians to Provide and/or Review Side Effects of Medications With the Pet's Owner Upon Request

Ms. Heeney reported that the proposed rule and regulation will be published in the December 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the Register of Regulations. The Public Hearing will be held at the January 10, 2012 meeting.

Sign Final Order from the Rule to Show Cause Hearing Held for Dr. Curtis Baughman, Jr.

The final order from the Rule to Show Cause Hearing held for Dr. Curtis Baughman, Jr. was signed by Board members.

Discussion: Senate Bill 147

Ms. Melvin provided Board members with a copy of Senate Bill 147 and a copy of Board members' comments from June, 2011. Kay Warren, Deputy Director, of the Division of Professional Regulation, had requested comments from Board members when the Bill was introduced. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder that the members of the Board oppose passage of any legislation regarding the governance of vaccine administration by licensed veterinarians in Delaware. Members feel such regulations could impede a veterinarian's ability to prescribe other off-label treatments of medications. Furthermore, mandatory regulations impede a veterinarian's ability to prescribe patient-directed individualized care. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Review of Applications for the VTNE

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson to approve the following persons to sit for the VTNE:

Andrea Santos  
Kendra Wilkins  
Josh Robshaw  
Maria Menga  
Paula Dryden  
Heather Cruz

The motion was unanimously carried

Ratification of Application for Veterinary Technician Licensure by Examination

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius to ratify the following person for veterinary technician licensure by examination:

Tara Voss

The motion was unanimously carried

#### Review of Applications for Veterinarian Licensure by Reciprocity

The Board reviewed the application of Jessica Thornton. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Metzner to approve Dr. Thornton's application. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application of Laura Clark. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Metzner to table Dr. Clark's application and to contact the Pennsylvania Board and obtain additional information regarding how she was granted a license in Pennsylvania. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Continuing Education Course

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Metzner to table the following continuing education course and request course descriptions and bios of instructors:

Veterinary Dental Forum  
National Veterinary Dental Forum

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Status of Complaints

Complaint No. 28-04-11 – Referred to the Attorney General's Office  
Complaint No. 28-18-11 – Assigned to Dr. Jackson

#### Review of Application for Veterinary Technician Licensure by Reinstatement

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Metzner to approve the following person for veterinary technician licensure by reinstatement:

Heather Sebastian

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

There was no other business before the Board.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

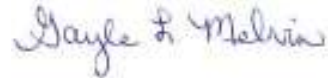
#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gayle L. Melvin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Gayle L. Melvin  
Administrative Specialist III